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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

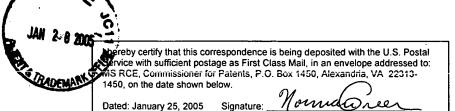
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

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In re Patent Application of:

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Art Unit: 1652

For: METHODS OF GENERATING VARIANTS OF

Examiner: Delia M. Ramirez, Ph.D.

AMIDASE ENCODING NUCLEIC ACIDS

(AMENDED)

RCE RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed May 14, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A Notice of Appeal was filed October 14, 2004; thus, the response was initially due December 14, 2004. Applicants herein submit a petition for a two month extension of time to February 14, 2005, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

This response is accompanied by a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Thus, the finality of the outstanding final office action will be

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withdrawn and Applicants are entitled to have this first submission for this RCE entered and considered on the merits.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter;
- Fee Transmittal;
- Petition for 2 Month Extension of Time;
- Request for Continued Examination (RCE);
- Rule 132 declaration by Dr. Jay Short; and
- Return Receipt Postcard.